## REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2004. In the Office Action, claims 4, 9, 11, 12 and 16 were objected to, claims 1, 2, 4, 11, 12, 21 and 22 were rejected under 35 USC §102, and claims 5-6, 8-10 and 13-16 were rejected under 35 USC §103. By this Amendment, claims 4, 9, 11, 12 and 16 are amended and claims 23-31 are added. Currently pending claims 1-16, 21 and 22-31 are believed allowable, with claims 1, 11 and 21 being independent claims.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS:

Claims 4 and 12 were objected to as requiring the term --(Ultra Wide Band)-- after "UWB". By this amendment, claims 4 and 12 include the term --(Ultra Wide Band)-- after "UWB", as suggested by the Examiner. These amendments are not made to overcome the teachings of the prior art or for reasons of patentability.

Claims 9 and 16 were objected to as requiring the term --(radio frequency)-- after "RF", and the term --(infrared)-- after "IF". By this amendment, claims 9 and 16 include the term --(radio frequency)-- after "RF", and the term --(infrared)-- after "IF", as suggested by the Examiner. These amendments are not made to overcome the teachings of the prior art or for reasons of patentability.

Claim 11 was objected to because there was insufficient antecedent basis for the limitation "said control device". By this amendment, antecedent basis for the term "control device" is provided. This amendment is not made to overcome the teachings of the prior art or for reasons of patentability.

CLAIM REJECTIONS:

Claims 1, 2, 4, 11, 12, 21 and 22 were rejected under 35 USC §102 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,433,382 to Cunningham et al. ("Cunningham"). To anticipate a claim under 35 USC §102, a reference must teach every element of the claim. MPEP 2131.

Briefly, the present invention is directed toward more intuitive techniques for selecting target devices in a device network by physically pointing to the device. Application, page 5, line 31 - page 6, line 3. Prior techniques for selecting target devices (such as network printers) often require knowing the device's network address. Application, page 1,

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lines 29-31.  By contrast, an embodiment of the present invention selects a target device when a selecting device aligned along a pointing axis. Application, page 5, line 31 - page 6, line 3.

Turning now to the claims, independent claims 1, 11 and 21 recite, in part, a pointing axis along which the selecting device is aligned when selecting the targets.  Support for this claim element can be found at least at page 5, line 31 - page 6, line 3 of the present Application.  It is respectfully submitted that none of the cited documents, either alone or in combination, teach or suggest such claim limitation.  For at least this reason, claims 1, 11 and 21 are believed allowable and indication of their allowance is earnestly requested.

Claims 2-10 and 23-25 are dependent on and further limit claim 1. Since claim 1 is believed allowable, claims 2-10 and 23-25 are also believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 1.

Claims 12-16 and 26-28 are dependent on and further limit claim 11. Since claim 11 is believed allowable, claims 12-16 and 26-28 are also believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 11.

Claim 22 and 29-31 are dependent on and further limit claim 21.  Since claim 21 is believed allowable, claims 22 and 29-31 are also believed allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 21.

NEW CLAIMS:

Claims 23-31 are introduced to the present Application by this amendment.  No new matter is believed to be introduced by these new claims.

Claims 23, 26 and 29 recite, in part, wherein the at least one of the selecting devices further includes pointing indicia for pointing to target devices in alignment to the pointing axis.  Support for this claim element can be found at least at page 6, lines 1-3 of the present Application.

Claims 24, 27 and 30 recite, in part, wherein the controller device is configured to determine if the target devices are within an angular window along the pointing axis.  Support for this claim element can be found at least at page 9, line 31 - page 10, line 2 and page 11, lines 28-31 of the present Application.

Claims 25, 28 and 31 recite, in part, wherein the controller is configured to select the least loaded target device if the pointing axis is

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aligned with more than one target device.   Support for this claim element can be found at least at page 12, lines 12-14 of the present Application.
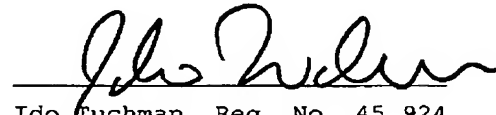
<div align="center">CONCLUSION</div>

In view of the forgoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that this case is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.   If any points remain at issue that the Examiner feels could best be resolved by a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to contact the attorney below.

Please change Deposit Account 50-0510 the $250 fee for an additional five dependent claims.   No other fee is believed due with this Amendment, however, should such a fee be required please charge Deposit Account 50-0510. Should any extensions of time be required, please consider this a petition thereof and charge Deposit Account 50-0510 the required fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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